

Agreement on the exchange of jurisdiction

for (operation name)

in the period of.....(date)

between

the Catholic Military Bishop.....

and

the Catholic Military Bishop.....

for the Military Chaplain.....

The church has always and especially seen to the pastoral care for soldiers and adjusted it to the different requirements. The participation of national armed forces in international operations requires the respective national military chaplaincies to achieve a close joint pastoral work in order to help soldiers to get an easy and futile access to the Church's teaching and the perception of the sacraments under these unique circumstances.

For the spiritual well-being of the soldiers they are responsible for, the undersigning Military Bishops and/or the Bishops responsible for the pastoral care for soldiers of their nation in the area of the canon jurisdiction agree the following:

Concerning the Catholic soldiers serving in the area of who are under my jurisdiction, I hereby give the respective other Catholic Military Bishops and/or the Bishops or General Vicars responsible for the pastoral care for soldiers of their nation as well as the military chaplains of the respective national military chaplaincies during their period of service (CIC, can 142 § 1)

- the delegated and general canon jurisdiction according to can. 137 § 3 (and can 138)
- the power (according to the canon law) in individual cases to sub-delegate (can. 137 § 3)
- for preaching and for assisting at marriage (can. 1111 § 1 and 2):

Concerning the sacrament of penance I refer to the general faculty of the local ordinary according to CIC can. 967 § 2 and to hear confessions "ubique"

I also agree to all measures that support a joint pastoral work in the operation area of as well as the feeling of unity among all Catholic Military Chaplains taking part in international missions of armed forces.

I expressly ask you to send to the responsible national military chaplaincies all registers (baptism and marriage) concerning soldiers.

This agreement shall be limited to the period of the International Mission of the(Nation)..... armed forces.

The Military Bishop of

City and date